

Details of Electro Mechanical/Manual exchanges Converted into Electronic Exchanges

1. Strowger Max I	-	2
2. Strowger max II	-	3
3. Strowger max III	-	70
4. Manual Exchanges	-	22
Total		97

Acquiring of Disputed Land In Ayodhya

476. SHRI HARI KISHORE SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation seeking its intervention to undo the steps taken by the Government of Uttar Pradesh to acquire the disputed land concerning Babri Masjid- Ram Janam Bhumi In Ayodhya;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB):

(a) to (c). After the issue of notifications by the State Government of Uttar Pradesh for the acquisition of land in the Ram Janma Bhoomi - Babri Masjid complex at Ayodhya, several representations have been received by the Central Government to Intervene in the matter. The matter was taken up with the State Government. Subsequently it was also discussed at length in the meeting of the National Integration Council held on the 2nd November, 1991. The Chief Minister of Uttar Pradesh gave a categorical assurance to the

Council that all efforts would be made to find an amicable resolution of the issue, the Government of Uttar Pradesh would hold itself fully responsible for the protection of the Ram Janma Bhoomi- Babri Masjid structure, and the orders of the Court in regard to the land acquisition proceedings would be fully implemented.

[English]

Issuance of Entry Passes Into Central Government Buildings

477. SHRI CHHITUBHAI GAMIT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the guidelines issued by the Government for issuance of entry passes into Central Government buildings, on permanent basis to non-officials, businessmen/industrialists etc.;

(b) whether permanent passes have been issued to certain business persons etc. notwithstanding, the guidelines of the Government;

(c) if so, the names of persons who have been issued such passes over past one year; and

(d) the reasons for issuance of such entry passes to these persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB): (a) to (d). No permanent passes are issued to non-officials. A limited number of passes valid for one year are, however, issued to those non-officials such as top industrialists, chief executives of important firms etc. Who are required to visit a specific Ministry or Ministries frequently in connection with their work subject to the fulfilment of